# SUPREME COURT SETTLES QUESTION OF RESIDENCE

# In Hawaii One Year.

### MALIHINIS CAN NOT VOTE NOW

Decision in the Loucks Case Crushes Hopes of the Newcomers.

To vote at the coming election one must have resided in Hawali for a year before the time of registering. So decided the Supreme Court yesterday and the matter which has been so much 1900 agitated of late is definitely settled.

The decision came in the case brought by Frank Loucks against the Board of Registration to compel the Board to register him despite the fact that he had been in the Islands less than a year. Loucks contended that according to Section 1859 of the Revised Statutes of the United States all American citizens who were in the Territory at the time of its organization had the right to vote at the first election. Lorrin Andrews who presented the case for the Board held that Section 60 of the Grganic Act must be held to be in forces despite the terms of the old statute and that where they conflict that Section 60 should control as it was passed with the view of meeting the particular needs of this Territory.

Is completely disponding the candidates were in order, the following names were proposed: C. K. Stillman, E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Wright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were counted the chairman announced the following as the nominees: E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Wright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were counted the chairman announced the following as the nominees: E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Wright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were counted the chairman announced the following as the nominees: E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Wright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were counted the chairman announced the following as the nominees: E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Mright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were counted the chairman announced the following as the nominees: E. A. Fraser, J. C. Lenhart. W. J. Wright, G. P. Kamauoha, J. H. S. Martin and J. Monsarratt. A vote by ballot was adopted to decide the matter, and after the ballots were register him despite the fact that he particular needs of this Territory.

The decision is important as it involves the question of the right to vote of all American citizens who have been in the Islands since June 14th last. The opinion quotes the language of the Organic Act wherein it provides for registration of all voters and that they must have been in the Islands for at least a year before registering. The section of the Revised Statutes under section of the Revised Statutes under ing me as one of your candidates for which the contention is made that all the Senate. I am proud of being a Americans could vote is also quoted Hawaiian born to be an American c.tiand then the opinion says:

"The Organic Act covers the entire subject of elections in Hawaii n minute detail. If there is anything clear from the whole act, it is that Congress meant to provide for the election of members of the Territorial legislature.

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ter the first election and there was no 24th instant, necessity for its providing the qualifications for the first election, that is, before the local legislature could have an opportunity to so provide itself. On account of peculiar conditions here Congress deemed it best to prescribe itself the qualifications of voters at all elections.

The court goes on to hold that the Organic Act is a later and more particular statute than the one relied on in Revised Statutes and hence it should control. Going on the Court says: "Special

emphasis is laid upon the requirement of Section 60 that the applicant must have resided in the Territory not less than one year. It is contended that this not mean the Hawaiian Islands but that it can only mean the 'Territory' strictly speaking and that since the Territory was not established until the 14th of last June, no one could under

Must Have Lived might very naturally have been used as meaning the territory or islands making up the Territory and not with any special reference to the time when a territorial government was estab-lished here, the attention not having been especially directed to the circumstances of any particular election, and all elections to take place only after the establishment of the territorial government. In our opinion the clear intention may be given effect consistently with the language of Section 60 and therefore should be given effect. The appeal is dismissed and the decision of the Board of Registration refusing to register the name of the applicant is affirmed."

The opinion was written by Chief Justice W. F. Frear and concurred in by Justices Galbraith and Perry,

### REPUBLICANS AT KAILUA.

How the Second District Made its Nominations on Hawaii.

The Republican convention of th Second District was held in Kailua, Hawall, on the 29th day of September,

There were twenty-four members

H. L. Holstein and J. D. Paris were unanimously nominated for the Senate, and the secretary was instructed to cast the ballots for the nominees. When

District was adopted.
Mr. H. L. Holstein writes as follows "We had a very successful meeting, and from the enthusiasm shown so far it is a foregone conclusion that the Republican ticket will win hands down."

Holstein made the following forcible speech after his nomination:

"Fellow Delegates-You have con rankanan born to be an American Curzen, prouder to be a Republican, and when you have unanimously selected me as one of your standard bearers, you cannot realize nor can I express the gratitude which I feel towards you for having conferred the honor on me. I can only say to you in the simplest

itself to indicate that Section 60 was not intended to apply to the first election. On the contrary if Section 1859 of the Revised Statutes should be held to apply it would be necessary to hold that not only Section 60 but other sections such as Section 18 which provides that persons convicted of certain criminal offenses and certain other persons shall neither vote nor hold office under

local government or provision for elec-tions and where Congress intended to leave it to the people of the Territory to enact their own election laws. . . . . Hawaii had already a local government with a system of election laws. These laws were for the most part substan-tially reenacted by Congress in the Orlaws were for the most part substantially reenacted by Congress in the Organic Act. Congress did not intend to leave it to the local legislature to determine the qualifications of voters after the first election and there was no 24th instant.

"It will be my duty to support each established a voting residence in the and every plank in that document, and precinct." The appeal is dismissed while we return home to our respective with costs. The opinion is written by districts to work for the ticket, let us not be unmindful of the fact, that the earnest prayer of all loyal Americans in Hawaii is 'God speed the Republican party, and bless its candidate to Congress.'"

### Ashes of Plague Victims.

The ashes of eighteen persons who died of the plague and whose bodies were cremated reposed on the desk of Dr. Garvin's office at the rooms of the Board of Health yesterday. They were enclosed in large hermetically sealed public statement of a reputable citizen tin cans and were prosaically labeled living in this city leaves no ground with the name of the individual of for the skeptic to stand on, which they are all that is left and the Mr. James C. Stevens, of which they are all that is left and the Mr. James C. Stevens, of this city, date of death and of cremation. They informs us: "I was troubled with an are kept at the Board of Health rooms | ache in the small of my back for a long awaiting the pleasure of the friends of time, and such was the condition of the deceased.

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which is to be held in November next, and that therefore Congress must have intended that Section 1853 should apply to the first election. It may be conceeded that it would have been more appropriate to have said 'Hawalian Islands' here than Territory' and that in most other section of the Act he words 'Hawalian Islands' and Territory' are used appropriately. . But the word 'Territory' is used in the Act with reference to the Islands rather than the government and 'Territory', 'Hawalian' and 'Hawalian Islands' are used interchangeably to some extent, and it would the word appropriate, the factors of the Act with the foreign of the first election, by the first election of the Act with the factors of the Act with the following the first election of the Act with the following the first election of the Act with the following the first election of the Act with the word 'Territory' and that in most other section of the Act with the following the first election of the Act with the first election of the

### Steamboat Is Not Right Kind Of Life.

### TARS MUST LIVE ASHORE TO VOTE

The Inter-Island Sailors Will Cast no Ballots in Election This Fall.

Sallors on the boats plying between Honolulu and the other Islands of the group will not be allowed to vote at the coming election, according to an opinion handed down by the Supreme Court yesterday. According to this a sailor who has no home but his cabin on the steamer on which he is employed is completely disfranchised and cannot

The question was brought before the court in the case of Joseph Irving. Irving was a sailor on the steamer Iwalani plying between this port and other Islands of the group. He lived on the boat and her permanent berth was at the Inter-Island wharf in the harbor. Irving asked to be registered last week but was refused because he had no permanent place of abode in the Sixth precinct, in which he claimed residence.

"For the purpose of this case," the Court says, "it is not necessary to determine whether 'residence' as used in Section 60 of the Organic Act is equivalent to domicile. However from the authorities we do reach the conclusion that a house of brick or of stone or even of wood is not essential to enable one to become a resident of a precinct

and a qualified voter therein. "He might live in a tent, in a grass hut out in the open canopied by the 'silent stars.' But there must be some definite and permanent place designated and occupied in order to entitle one to clothe the same with the rights and privileges surrounding the residence or domicile of a freeman. Clearly on could not reside in a wagon or build-ing on wheels and move the same from precinct to precinct and establish a residence in any voting precinct unless his wagon or place of abode remained in the precinct the length of time required by law.

"The record shows that the residence of the appellant for the past seven months has been on the steamer Iwalani, in a 'fixed and permanent room; that this steamer is engaged in the inter-island trade, her home port is Hoshall neither vote nor hold office under this government do not apply to the first election, although there is nothing in those sections to so indicate and Section 104 expressly provides that they shall take effect within 45 days after their approval.

"On the other hand Section 1850 may be satisfactorily explained consistently with this view. That section was intended to provide for Territories created where there was previously no local government or provision for elections."

Republican club of this district should attend to that duty. The victory is not going to be won by the talking of nonest politics on the street corners, but by getting out and working for it. I is clear from this statement that when the Twalani' goes to Lahaina or some other port that the 'fixed and permanent room,' the readence of the appellant aboard the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the time the steamer is away is not at Honolulu and when here she is docked at a wharf in the harbor designated as one of the boundaries of the boundaries of the boundaries of the boundaries of the Sixth precinct. It is clear from this statement that when the 'Iwalani' goes to Lahaina or some other port that the 'fixed and permanent room,' the readence of the appellant aboard the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the time the steamer is away is not at Honolulu and when here she is docked at a wharf in the harbor designated as one of the boundaries of the Sixth precinct. It is clear from this statement that when the 'Iwalani' goes to Lahaina or some other port that the 'fixed and permanent room,' the residence during the time the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the time the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the time the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the time the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the steamer goes also, and that his residence during the steamer goes also, and that his resi nolulu and when here she is docked at

court which are in point, whereby it is held that a seaman retains his dom! cile of origin although he is regularly employed on a steamer unless by actual residence he acquires a domic le elsewhere, and that residence upon a steamer has none of the characteristics court therefore holds that "the contention of the appellant cannot be maintained for the reason that he has no Justice Galbraith and concurred in by Chief Justice Frear and Justice Perry.

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Talks of Doan's Backache Kidney

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